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In response to the Official Action dated May 29, 2003, Applicants elect, with
traverse, Group II, Claims 1-10, for further prosecution.

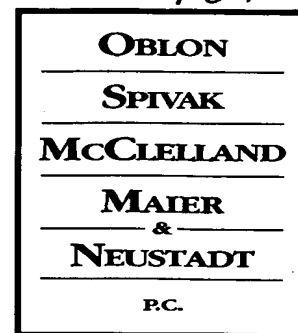
REMARKS

Based on the groupings provided by the Examiner in paper number 8, it appears that
the present invention has been restricted into five macro Groups: Group I (called Groups
1-6); Group II (called Groups 7-12); Group III (called Groups 13-18); Group IV (called
Groups 19-23); and Group V (called Groups 24-29). These "groups" differ only on the basis
of the identity of the amino acid sequence. Therefore, it was Applicants belief that the
present action is a Restriction and Election of Species Requirement in which they are to
choose between one of the macro groupings and then for the elected group elect a single
amino acid sequence.



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Response to Restriction Requirement

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